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The proposed settlement is fair to all parties, is in the public interest and should be accepted by the court.

Our free enterprise system is why we have the strongest economy in the world and the most admired society in the world. Let us not hamper this envied position with governmental and judicial intervention. To maintain and advance this strength into the future we need less governmental and judicial intervention-not more.

Innovation in all areas of all industries is necessary to maintain and enhance productivity to remain the world's leading economy and power base. This case is an example of innovation being smothered before it has a chance to be judged by consumers. In our free society consumers are the ultimate judge of products offered for purchase. To date consumers have voted in favor of Microsoft products with their purchases. Acceptance of this settlement will allow continued product offerings to consumers for their vote.

Thank you,